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Serial No.: 10/540,416 Confirmation No.: 9225 Applicant(s): Hajime FUKUI Group Art Unit: 2622 Examiner: Kelly L. Jerabek Filed: June 24, 2005 Customer No.: 27123 For: IMAGE CAPTURING APPARATUS AND ITS CONTROL METHOD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT Mail Stop Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: This Information Disclosure Statement is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The items listed on Form PTO-1449, a copy of which is enclosed, are made of record to assist the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of this application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to fully consider the items and to independently ascertain their teaching. \boxtimes For each of the following items listed on the enclosed copy of Form PTO-1449 that is not in the English language, an English language translation of that item or a portion thereof or a concise explanation of the relevance of that item is enclosed: CN 1525234 A CN 1591157 A For each of the following items listed on the enclosed copy of Form PTO-1449 that is not in the English language, a concise explanation of the relevance of that item is incorporated in the specification of the above-identified application. 3. Any copy of the items listed on the enclosed copy of Form PTO-1449 that is not enclosed with this Information Disclosure Statement was previously cited by or submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in application Serial No. _____, filed

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